



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 110**

January Session, 2007

Substitute Senate Bill No. 1195

*Senate, March 22, 2007*

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. HANDLEY of the 4th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF INFLUENZA AND PNEUMOCOCCAL POLYSACCHARIDE VACCINES BY LICENSED HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) On and after October 1,  
2 2007, a nurse who is employed by an agency licensed by the  
3 Department of Public Health as a home health care agency or a  
4 homemaker-home health aide agency may administer influenza and  
5 pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines to patients in their homes, after  
6 an assessment for contraindications, without a physician's order in  
7 accordance with a physician-approved agency policy. For purposes of  
8 this section, "nurse" means an advanced practice registered nurse,  
9 registered nurse or practical nurse licensed under chapter 378 of the  
10 general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

No fiscal impact will ensue in response to enactment of this bill.

***The Out Years***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****sSB 1195*****AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATION OF INFLUENZA AND PNEUMOCOCCAL POLYSACCHARIDE VACCINES BY LICENSED HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF*****SUMMARY:**

Beginning October 1, 2007, this bill allows nurses employed by licensed home health care or homemaker-home health aide agencies to administer flu and pneumococcal vaccines to patients in their homes. The vaccines may be administered without a physician's order, but must be done according to a physician-approved agency policy. The nurse must vaccine assess the patient for contraindications before administering the vaccine.

Under the bill, a nurse means a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or an advanced practice registered nurse.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 26 Nay 0 (03/09/2007)